

# LEVEL UP KL 2024

## CONFERENCE AGENDA

2nd October - 3rd October 2024

Date / Time	2nd October 2024	
	Track 1 (CONTINUUM)	Track 2 (REFLEXION)
10:15 - 11:15	<b>Evolve Your Video Gaming Business with Xsolla</b> <b>Adrian Eng</b> , Regional Vice President, SEA (Xsolla)	<b>Smart Content Creation: How AI Tools are Changing the Landscape for Creators"</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Fred Chong, WebTV Asia + 2 Content Creators
11:15 - 12:15	<b>Creating Memorable Events with Emotions</b> <b>Tim Nixon</b> , Director of Online Experience (thatgamecompany)	<b>AI in Gaming</b> <b>Jun Shimoda</b> , Gaming Customer Solutions Architect (Microsoft)
12:15 - 13:15	<b>Design within Games: Myths and Mistakes</b> <b>Jason Spencer</b> , Associate Design Director (Virtuos) & <b>Randy Vasquez</b> , Lead Game Designer (Virtuos)	<b>GEN AI for Virtual Production (VP)</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Nick GC Tan</b> , Chief Executive Officer (Oceanus Media Global) <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Sean Lee</b> , Chief Executive Officer (PIXEF Korea) <b>Nicholas Chan</b> , Group Chief Innovation Officer (SOCOE) <b>Jon Ochoa</b> , Asia Pacific Manager (Volinga)
13:15 - 14:15	<b>Private Sharing Session (By Invitation only)</b>	<b>2024 Mobile Game Marketing Insights and Advertising Trends in Southeast Asia</b> <b>Wilson Ong</b> , Sr Business Development Manager (SocialPeta)
14:15 - 15:15	<b>Building and Managing Pipelines</b> <b>Pontus Mähler</b> , Co-Founder (Agora Gaming Partners)	<b>Games QA at Double Eleven</b> <b>Mohit Kumawat</b> , Assistant QA Manager (Double Eleven)
15:15 - 16:15	<b>Playful Design: Crafting UI/UX For Games And Beyond</b> <b>Ian Plater</b> , Creative Director	<b>AI-powered Game Development</b> <b>Brian Cox</b> , Director of AI Gameplay Engineering (Inworld AI)

	(Sony Interactive Entertainment)	
16:15 - 17:15	<b>Distilling the Mumbo Jumbos of Art Direction in Game-Dev</b> <b>Alitt Khaliq</b> , CEO (Albrite) <b>Myles Yeo</b> , Founder (2YOAS) <b>Zi Xian</b> , UE Artist (Glow Production) <b>Benjamine Low</b> , Senior Concept Artist (Bear Down Studios)	<b>Addressing Social Issue in a Psychological Thriller</b>  <b>Rajat Ojha, CEO</b> (Gamitronics)
17:15 - 18:15	<b>You Must Self-Publish!: The Future of Indie Funding</b> <b>Jason Della Roca</b> , Co-Founder (Execution Labs)	<b>Games that Hit Home: A Southeast Asia Perspective on Game Development</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Sophie Azlan</b> , Council Member (OutCrowd Malaysia) <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Sasha Ariana</b> , Narrative Designer (Toge Productions) <b>Lydia Ho</b> , Narrative Designer <b>Lydia Rosette Teo</b> , Assistant Producer & Game Designer (Battlebrew Productions)
19:30 - 22:00	<b>SEA GAME AWARDS CEREMONY</b> AUDITORIUM	

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10:25 - 11:15	<b>Opening &amp; Keynote</b> <b>Beyond the Code: AI's Role in Revolutionizing Gaming and Creative Content</b> <b>Ulas Karademir</b> , Chief Technology Officer (IO Interactive)	
11:15 - 12:15	<b>Marketing Misconceptions in Among Us</b> <b>Victoria Tran</b> , Director of Communications (Innersloth)	<b>The Epic Games Ecosystem</b> <b>Dean Reinhard</b> , Senior Business Development Manager (Epic Games)
12:15 - 13:15	<b>The Survival Game: Strategies for Stability in the Economic Downturn"</b> <b>Leah Hoyer</b> , CEO & Head of Creative (Level Headed Games)	<b>Using Research to Supercharge Decision-Making</b> <b>David Sung</b> , Senior Manager of Player Research & Insights (2K Games)
13:15 - 14:15	<b>Building the First Open World Game in Malaysia at AAA Quality</b> <b>Stefan Marcus Baier</b> , Head of Worldwide Studios (Streamline Studios)	<b>EA Create APAC Intro</b> <b>Jennifer</b> (Electronic Arts) <b>Jason</b> (Electronic Arts)
14:15 - 15:15	<b>The State of the Fundraising Landscape: Are Games Still Being Funded?</b> <b>Justin Berenbaum</b> , VP, Strategic Planning & GM (Xsolla)	<b>Audio for Your Production: A Comprehensive Discussion on How to Hit the Right Notes</b> <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Darshan Li Nair</b> , Sound Designer  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Elmer Ho</b> , Founder (MediBeats Productions) <b>Hafiz Azman</b> , Co-Founder (7th Beat Games) <b>Duncan Soo</b> , Game Sound Designer (Cellar Vault Games)
15:15 - 16:15	<b>Winning The Race: Multithreading &amp; You</b> <b>Andrew Joy</b> , Senior Software Engineer (2Bit Studios)	<b>Talent Economics: Unpacking Talent Costs, Demands, Specializations and Studio Strategies in Southeast Asia's Game</b>

		<p><b>Industry</b>  <b>Moderator:</b>  <b>Nazliyah Mohd Ali</b>, Vice President II, Industry Partnership (TalentCorp Malaysia)  <b>Panelists:</b>  <b>Assoc. Prof. Ts. Dr. Tan Chin Ike</b>, Head of School (Asia Pacific University of Technology &amp; Innovation)  <b>Cipto Adiguno</b>, Chief Strategy Officer (Agate)  <b>Saranpat "Jay" Sereewiwattana</b> (Revolution Industry)</p>
16:15 - 17:15	<p><b>Fostering Innovation Through Our Own IP</b></p> <p><b>Levinna</b>, 3D Character Artist (Larian Studios)  <b>Maxim Bolotin</b>, Environment Art department (Larian Studios)</p>	<p><b>From Pocket to Console: Contrasting Game Design Approaches for Mobile and PC/Console Games</b></p> <p><b>Yiwei P'ng</b>, Founder &amp; Director (Kurechii)</p>
17:15 - 18:15	<p><b>Reimagining RPGs: The Potential of Storytelling in Games</b></p> <p><b>Hajime Tabata "Tabby"</b>, CEO (JP GAMES, Inc)</p>	
19:30 - 20:00	<p><b>NETWORKING NIGHT</b>  (RUYI &amp; LYN)  4th Floor Annex Bangsar Shopping Center,  285, Jalan Maarof, 59000 Kuala Lumpur  <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/fGZRMUdwMGLzjnN37">https://maps.app.goo.gl/fGZRMUdwMGLzjnN37</a></p>	